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## **Coming Events**

Call for Papers: The International Conference on Practical Software Quality Techniques '99

**Dates and Locations**: June 7-10, 1999, San Antonio, Texas; Oct. 4-7, 1999, St. Paul, Minn.

**Sponsor:** The San Antonio Software Process Improvement Network

Featuring: Watts Humphrey and James Bach

Topics of Interest: Inspections, Reviews, and Walkthroughs, Testing, Software Process Assessment and Improvement, Quality Management Issues, Measurements and Benchmarking, ISO 9000 Certification, Configuration Management and Version Control, Change Tracking, Requirements Management, Year 2000 Process Quality Issues, and automated tools that deal with any of these areas. Abstracts that deal with other topics will also be considered. Presentations are one hour and 15 minutes.

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**Dates**: Feb. 22-24, 1999 **Location**: San Antonio, Texas

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